arrest and extradition to Texas, from where he would probably never return to his young wife and family, he, too must make a statement falsely accusng his absent comrades, and then, when he refused to comply, asserting his innocence, they fabricated a story of
confession and attempted suicide, which
was a base falsehood from beginning
to end, as has now been completely and

"In all the history of crime and its letection, nothing more atrocious, diseputable and disgraceful has ever been

Senator Foraker then presented facts to show that it was an elementary rule of law that confessions involving crim-inal guilt were inadmissible in any court unless it could be shown they were entirely voluntary. He declared that, even if the statements of Browne, Mrs. Minor Morris incident, the Presi-Lawson, Baldwin, and others, serving the Government as detectives, were truthful, all that they have done would be incompetent. But it was not necessary, he said, to rely on technical objections.

Mrs. Minor Morris incident, the President today made public at the White House correspondence bearing on the case, which has been received by him within the last few months.

Assails Confessions.

Six other citizens of Walton county, where is Monroe, presented affidavits which Senator Foraker read and incorporated into his speech in support of Arnold's version of the alleged confession, and of Convers' side of his relations to the detectives.

Mrs. Morris was ejected from the White House three years ago, and as evidence that it was not uncommon for Mrs. Morris to act as she did on that occasion.

A second letter was from a son of Mrs. Morris by her first marriage, addressed.

Charges Conspiracy.

"I hazard nothing in saying that this testimony will prove sufficient," said Senator Foraker, "to firmly establish in the minds of all honest men from the minds of all honest men from the land to the other not one end of this land to the other, not only that the reports of these so-cailed detectives in so far as they attempt to show confessions and incriminating statements made by Conyers are base fabrications, and without any truth whatever on which to rest, but that the whole work in which they have been engaged is the result of a plot and a Action of the Supreme Court conspiracy blacker and more damnable than anything that has been charged against the soldiers themselves, even if the worst that has been said should prove to be the truit; for, atrocious and indefensible as is the crime of murder, more atrocious and more indefen-sible still is a cold, scheming, calculat-ing plot and conspiracy to fasten the crime of murder upon an innocent

Defends Soldier.

yers as a man who had led a blameless from portions of the decision of the life and who had the confidence and United States Supreme Court, which respect of every white man as well as colored man in his community.

Every member of the Military Afthat what Herbert J. Browne has said applicable in many of its phases to the would only grant the pathetic appeal of this veteran soldier of the republic, and give him a chance to be heard, he would be in better company and in fiscatory by the court of highest resort, better business than he is when listening to his scheming traducers, and if happily he should be moved to do him solidated case.

"One Bad, All Bad."

confession, is a lie out of whole cloth, without anything whatever in all the realm of truth on which to base it, and without any explanation except only that the men who were put at this interest of the who were anxious to make a report that would secure their retention in the employment that had been given them. The gas company's franchise in Washington and its increased real estate holdings.

On a propaganda of this kind, the Supropaganda of this kind, the S

A San Francisco fire expert, visiting Washington, says a dispatch to the Boston Herald, that many of the most vaiuable Governmental collections in Washington are at present housed in buildings that San Francisco would now rate as third-class risks.

as third-class risks.

He has only to point to the damage wrought recently in the Geological Survey Department's fire to show the folly which Congress permits. The Interior Department, for instance, carries on its work among wooden shelving, wooden furniture, and wooden window frames.

#### What Congress Did

IN THE SENATL

Senator Foraker bitterly attacked President Roosevelt in a speech on the Brownsville case, and declared the evidence given by private detectives was utterly worthless.

On motion of Senator Foraker a resolution was passed directing the Secretary of the Treasury to report in detail the expenditures from his \$3,000,000 emergency fund appropriay tion made in 1899.

Senator Penrose introduced a bill to lation. allow Mrs. Grover Cleveland the privilege of having mail carried free. Senator Tillman was busy today pre-

Senator Hopkins introduced a bill for a \$500,000.000 bond issue for the Panama mains.

Under Secretary of State and a Fourth Assistant Secretary of State.

IN THE HOUSE. The House convened at noon.

The District appropriation bill was call- below remarks, monopolizes the gas ed up, but, in consideration of the service of the largest city in America, general debate allowed thereon, Mr. and is secure against competition under

#### MRS. MINOR MORRIS CENSURED IN LETTERS

Former Sympathizer and Her Son Say She Is Hardly Responsible For Her Conduct At Times.

Answering Senator Tillman's refer- to Mr. Darr, giving the attitude of that ence in his speech yesterday to the son toward his mother.

The principal letter forming this correspondence is from Francis J. A. Darr, Then, assailing the alleged confession a former friend and sympathizer of of Conyers to Browne and other de- Mrs. Morris, who wrote to the Presiof Conyers to Browne and other detectives, he presented a long letter from Sheriff E. C. Arnold, of Monroe, Ga.. where Conyers lives, in which Arnold thus characterized this so-called content of the press. He declared in the letter feesion.

Mrs. Morris, who wrote to the President of the pression of the pression which who believed to have suffered great wrong and humiliation in her ejectment from the White House, and I openly avowed the belief, in the press. He declared in the letter feesion.

We never saw her until two weeks ago, when she telegraphed Mrs. Darris, who wrote to the President from the White House, and I openly avowed the belief, in the pression. that he had not known Mrs. Morris asking if she could come here. We until she came to his house, and that knew of her escape from the asylum, and supposed she had no money, etc. "I say it under my solemn oath, it until she came to his house, and that is the most absolutely false, the most "the experience was brief and horrible. willful misrepresentation of the truth, If she acted with one-quarter the noise and the most shameful perversion of and violence at the White House that what really did take place that I have she did here in our house, nothing that ever seen over the signature of any was done to her there could have been

Person."
Arnold declared he was shocked and horrified when he read Browne's version of his conversations with Conyers as published in the Congressional Rec-

Amende Honorable.

Darr's letter is in part as follows:

years ago. only within the last week.
"The matter concerns Mrs. Minor
Morris, whom we believed to have suf-

From motives of charity and humanity we answered 'Yes.' Our experience was brief and horri-; and if she acted with one-quarter e noise and violence at the White

# WASHINGTON GAS

Causes Satisfaction in Capital.

The people of Washington, who are fighting for cheaper and purer gas and the passage of an 80-cent gas bill by Senator Foraker defended Boyd Con- the House, can derive much satisfaction has now been handed down in full, upholding the constitutionality of the New York 80-cent gas law.

The analogous contentions of the Con fairs Committee who can recall him as solidated Gas Company of New York he appeared on the witness stand will and the Washington Gaslight Company, know, without citing his record and each bent upon perpetuating a \$1 per each bent u without any argument in his behalf, thousand rate, are such as to make of him is an untruthful libel, without present gas situation in the Capital the any excuse whatever. If the President Supreme Court decision. That an 80-

What Decision Means.

"And so I might go on as to each and every other man who is attacked by Herbert J. Browne and his fellow-consplrators, with the same result as to each, but it is unnecessary.

In the full decision, handed down by Mr. Justice Peckham, the Supreme Court effectually disposes of the plan prevalent in gas monopoly circles both here and in New York to place an exaggerated value upon franchises and real estate holdings. It will be recalled "Falsus in uno, falsus in omnibus!" that the recent stock inflation scheme where it is shown that the great vital which has been consistently fought by proposition upon which the whole re- The Times, had as its basis a purely port rests, that Boyd Conyers made a superficial valuation of the gas com-

that would secure their retention in the employment that had been given them. It was vital to the continuance of their relations to the Treasury that they should appear to be making progress. "It is impossible to find language with which to fittingly characterize such a procedure as this detective business has been from its incipiency down to the monstrous stages it has reached.

"It is atroclous, revolting, shocking to every sense of fairness, justice, and even common decency."

EXPERT CRITICISES

A CONGRESS POLICY

The other and tangible property of the corporations has increased so largely in value, is not, as it seems to us, any reason for attributing a like proportional increased in value of the franchise. "Real estate may have increased in value very largely, as also the personal property, without any necessary increase in the value of the franchise. Its past value was founded upon the opportunity of obtaining these enormous and excessive returns upon the property of the company without legislative interference with the price for the supply of gas; but that immunity for the future was, of course, uncertain, and the moment it ceased and the Legislature reduced the earnings to a reasonable sum, and the gas companies have urged that to sell gas for less than \$1 and the moment in the other and tangible property of the corporations has increased so largely in value, is not, as it seems to us, any reason for attributing a like proportional increased in value, is not, as it seems to us, any quality of gas.

The right of the gas company to demand a penalty of 25 per cent for failure to pay bills within ten days was questioned upon the opportunity of obtaining these enormous and excessive returns upon the property of the company without legislative interference with the price for the supply of gas; but that immunity for the future was, of course, uncertain, and the moment in the other and cheaper quality of gas.

The right of the gas company to demand of the fact that the gas company of the mand a penalty of 25 pe

upon its franchise. In view of the faci, pany, which is controlled by the Con solidated, made a profit. however, that the New York Legislature 80 reduced the gas rate to a reasonable one, the company is forbidden the privilege to rely upon its former excess earnings, and the value of the franchise decreases accordingly.

creases accordingly.

In Washington attempts were made to grossly overcapitalize the stock of the gas company on this very assumption that the franchise was a valuable one and that the amount thereof should be included in the capital stock, thus affording the monopoly an opportunity to pay dividend upon the original gift of the city, or upon so much water. This plan, together with the plan to include the present value of the plant in the capitalization scheme, has been effectually knocked in the head here by the passage of a bill repealing section 5 the passage of a bill repealing section of the act of 1896, which contained oker" permitting such stock manipu

That an investment in a gas com pany is not the haza dous risk that the monopolists would have one be-lieve, the Supreme Court makes plain. deliver in two or three weeks, attacking the record of President Roosevelt. Senator Knox introduced a bill for an Consolidated at 6 per cent, holds:

Risk at Minimum.

"In an investment in a gas company such as complainants', the risk is reduced almost to a minimum. It is a corporation which, in fact, as the court Mann began to debate the rules of the circumstances in which it is placed, Representative Gardner of Michigan thinkable that the city of New York because it is a proposition almost un-Representative Gardner of Michigan spoke on District finances and the different methods of avoiding reductions in District appropriations.

Following debate on the rules, the House finally began detailed consideration of the District appropriation bill thinkable that the city of New York would, for the purpose of making competition, permit the streets of the city to be again form up in order to allow the mains of another company to be laid all through them to supply gas which the present company can adequately supply."

That decreased price to the consumer

House that she did here in our house, nothing that was done to her there could have been too much.

"Two days before she left for Washington on trouble bent (she got to Washington Sunday, September 20, address Ebhitt House), she said Stenator Foraker had written her requesting the rest of her papers—she sent them to him by express to Cincinnati.

"I am convinced that she is either insane, or a woman of most violent erratic temper—addicted to drink and drugs—and in need of restraint."

Or a word "unde word "under in lands."

Webster's 1. To take in it is either in the in it is either in some in the properties of the p House that she did here in our house.

drugs-and in need of restraint."

does not necessarily mean a decrease in the earnings of the company, is set out by the court, which says, in part: "And again, increased consumption at the lowest rate might result in inreased earnings, as the cost of furshing the gas would not increase in furnished.

as furnished.

"Of course, there is always a point elow which a rate could not be reuced and at the same time permit the 
roper return on the value of the proprty, but it is equally true that a reuction in rates will not always reduce 
he net earnings, but on the contrary 
crease them. The question of how 
when an increased consumption under of complainant, if at all, at a cost not proportioned to the former cost, can be answered only by a practical test."

Court's Interference.

In upholding the constitutionality of

of property for public use without such compensation as under the circumstances is just both to the owner and the public. There must be a fair return upon the reasonable value of the property at the time it is being used for the public. The case must be a clear one before the courts ought to be asked to interfere with State legislation upon the subject of rates, especially before In the full decision, handed down by of the practical result of such rates."

By Northeast Citizens

"In view of the recent deaths from carbon monoxide, this association hopes Especially should that maxim apply of the Washington Gaslight Company, for immediate action on the part of Congress in adopting legislation restricting the production and distribution of Senate, but none of the ambassadors of water gas."

Evan H. Tucker, president of the from Greece and Chile.

Northeast Washington Citizens' AssociThis marked absence was not due, it Northeast Washington Citizens' Associ- develops, to any lack of interest in the ation, thus epitomized the sentiments of two occasions, but to an understanding that organization at a meeting in North-reached among the diplomats that their

duced the earnings to a reasonable sum, the great value of the franchise would be at once and unfavorably affected, but how much so, it is not possible for us now to see."

determine the teason and the seasonable sum, the great value of the franchise would be at once and unfavorably affected, but how much so, it is not possible for us now to see."

determine the teason able sum, the great value of the to sell gas for less than \$1 at thousand cubic feet entails a loss, it became known today that even at 35 cents for this amount of gas the companies can make more than \$1 at the sell gas for less than \$1 at the sell gas fo

Its Interpretation.

The interpretation of this clause is that, had the Legislature seen fit to allow the perpetuity of the unreasonable si rate, the company might well have insisted upon an exorbitant valuation the feet the New Amsterdam Company which is controlled by the Company.

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### DISCUSSION KEEN

Senator Tillman's Use of the Word Causing Much Comment.

(Continued from First Page.)

the floor of the Senate yesterday that "I am writing you my amende honor- he was "perhaps disingenuous" in his able for a great mistake I made three statement to the Senate last year regarding the Oregan land episoda has caused more discussion here than any other feature of his speech.

The following are the meanings of the

word "disingenuous" according to Webter: 1. Not nobie; unbecoming true onor or dignity; mean; unworthy candor or frankness; not frank or open; uncandid; unworthy or meanly artful.' Some of the South Carolinian's colleagues are questioning today whether he really meant to characterize his conduct in this way, or whether he did not make in this an equally unfortunate use of a word as when he employed the word "undertaken" when he said he had not "undertaken to buy" any West-

"Undertake."

Webster's definition of "undertake" is: 1. To take upon one's self: to engage n; to enter upon; to take in hand; to begin to perform; to set about; to at-

2. Specifically, to take upon one's self olemnly or expressly; to lay one's sell nder obligations or to enter into stipu-

Outside of the ethical question as to gress ought to speculate in public lands about which there is litigation which would finally have to be judicially deermined by the Senate, the main ques-ion involved is whether Tillman de-eived the Senate in his statement of ceived the Senate in his statement of last February. In procuring the passage by that body of the resolution directing the Attorney General to make inquiry and institute suits to compel the Oregon roads to comply with the law requiring them to sell their grant lands to actual settlers at \$2.50 per acre, or have them forfeited Tillman probably did a public service.

The question arises, however, whether the South Carolinian, in arranging to buy from the roads nine quarter sec-tions for himself and family, intended to become an "actual settler."

Would Mean Little.

On the other hand, if the lands were declared forfeited to the Governmen the 80-cent State law, Justice Peck- and were then placed on sale, it is ham delivers the following opinion with pointed out that neither Senator Tillby the courts with the State rate until advantage, but would have to take their the same general principle doubtless be-

The Senate believes that its dignity affecting a possible similar question in the District of Columbia:

"The rates must be plainly unreasonable to the extent that their enfercement would be equivalent to the taking of property for public way."

"The Sendre believes that its dignity demands that there be a thorough investigation of Tillman's conduct. Because he is a Democrat his colleagues on that side of the chamber are taking the first steps to bring this about. (It is probable that a special committee will be appointed to consider the will be appointed to consider the mat

> The subcommittee of the Appropria-tions Committee to which has been re-ferred the rest of the President's re-port on the activities of Secret Service agents, claims that it will have its hands full with that part alone. The documents cover 1,500 pages and include full reports on the operations of special a week before this committee gets these papers into such shape that it can undertake the study of them. A notable feature of the speeches of Senator Tiliman yesterday and of Senator Foraker today, both attacking the President, was the absence from the liplomatic gallery of foreign diplomats

> meet with disapproval from the White House, as indicating the sentiments of the diplomats toward the Chief Executive in rushing to hear tirades against him when they manifest but little interest in speeches of his champions.

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Joseph Linthicum Cockley was twenty-seven years old. He was a native of Maryland and had resided in Washington for eight years. Although an invalid for many years, his death occurred suddenly at his residence, 52 Bryant street northwest. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cockley. He had been a member of Waugh and North Capitol Methodist Episcopal Churches.

EIKER—On Monday, January 14, 1909, at 7.

EIKER-On Monday, January 11, 1999, at 7 p, m., at her home, AGNES A., wife of James McK, Eiker, McCAULEY-On Sunday, January 10, 1909, at 7:45 p. m., CORA JULA, daughter of Charles M. and Rebecca McCauley.

SILVER—On Treesday, January 12, 1909, WILLIAM SILVER, beloved husband of Helen Silver, member B. B. French Lodge, No. 15, of the Masons, Born in Scotland. Funeral Thursday, January 14, 1999, at 2 p. m. Friends cordually invited to attend. (kindly omit flowers.) SMITH—On Sunday, January 10, 1909, at 4:30 p. m., FRANCIS M., beloved husband of Mary C. and the late Charles Smith, after a long

TANCH.—Suddenly on Sunday morning, Jan-uary 10, 1909, at 2 o'clock, GEORGE TAN-CIL, Jr., aged three years.

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Firemen of Washington are today four years ago at the apartments of mourning for the death of one of their the father of Nan Patterson. The tall omrades, Lleut. Francis M. Smith, hero apartment house in the northwest secf many a fire in this city. The District tion was in flames when the truck comof Columbia, too, suffers the loss of a pany of which Lieutenant Smith was valued and faithful public servant, who a member arrived upon the scene. ad served continuously in the District Three women were seen frantically Fire Department for fourteen years, and who, during that long term of active duty, had not been absent a single day from his post until his final illness.

This record of Lieutenant Smith is, perhaps, without equal in the Fire Department of Washington, During his stated were largedy responsible for his partment of Washington, During his stated, were largely responsible for his ourteen years of strenuous service, ne death and been stationed with Truck B, Truck

be time of his death, was lieutenant of the new Chemical Company at Rep. by a widow and four children. Four the time of his death, was lieutenant of the new Chemical Company at Benothers and a sister also survive. Not only had the record of Lieutenant Smith been conspicuous for constant duty and faithful service in quenching the fires of Washington, but his presence of mind and heroism had made him prominent as a man without fear.

Perhaps the most noteworthy act of bravery of Lieutenant Smith occurred brothers and a sister also survive. Funeral services will be held tomorow afternoon at 3 o'clock from the family home, 420 P street northwest. The Rev. William Tayloe Snyder, rector of the Church of the Incarnation, will officiate. Firemen from the different departments will be detailed to serve as pallbearers. The body will be buried in Congressional Cemetery.

#### SENATE IS ON TRAIL OF \$3,000,000 FUND

On motion of Senator Foraker, the

passed without opposition. It directs theater and had then walked to Central the Secretary of the Treasury to report Park to take a smoke. When he reached the bridge, he says, "a man n detail all expenditures out of the appropriation in question. The fact that one of the friends of the President in

**ENGLISH CAPITALIST** 

MYSTERIOUSLY SHOT

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.-The keenest Senate today set on foot an inquiry into decrectives of the New York police dewas made in 1899, to be expended under an English capitalist, who was found the direction of the President in urgent in Central Park, shortly after midnight, with a bullet wound in his breast. It is charged that the President has During lucid moments in Roosevelt xercised undue latitude in paying Hospital today the victim said he was Secret Service men out of this fund, something that the law, in the opinion of many Senators, did not contemplate. Senator Foraker's resolution was Hilliard said he had attended the

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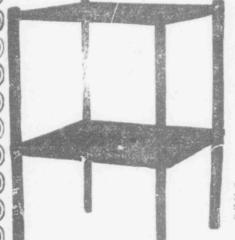
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## TURKEY ACCEPTS

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epted the offer. The ministers interpreted the offer as meaning that the indemnity would be contingent upon future arbitration. Austrian Minister Pallavicini explained that the qualifications in the offer were a mere technicality, and that the whole amount would become due the moment the offer was accepted.

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pany for the election of Directors for the ensuing year and such other business as may be brought before the mesting, will be held at the office of the company, 36th and M streets, N. W. Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, January 13, 1909, at 1045 o'clock A. M. The polls will be open from 11 o'clock A. M. until 12 o'clock noon.

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